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Examiner: Robert SWIATEK
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FR 445,171 discloses a steering system for an airship;

FR 2,132,610 discloses a steerable airship for transporting houses;

DE 40 09 772 discloses an airship having a turboprop system driven electrically or through conventional motors;

FR 2,673,418 discloses a steerable lighter than air machine;

DE 42 04 962 discloses an airship having a dual motor system;

DE 197 44 580 discloses an engine driven spherical airship; and

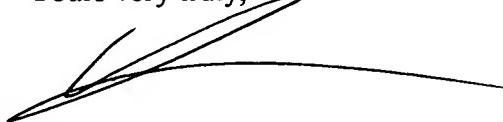
WO0058152 discloses a semi-rigid and controlled lighter-than-air aircraft.

Prompt consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement and the references contained therein by the Examiner is requested.

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